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FOR THE ASSISTANT SECRETARY FROM CHARGE

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SUBJECT: AMERICAN POSITION REDUCTIONS

REF: (A) STATE 161873, (B) SANTIAGO 2589

1. THE CUTS THAT YOU PROPOSE (REF A) HAVE OUR CONCURRENCE,
AS DO THE EFFECTIVE DATES DESIGNATED FOR EACH POSITION. WE
WOULD, HOWEVER, HAVE PROBLEMS WITH THE INCUMBENTS NAMED
FOR POSITIONS 21-108 AND 44-132.

2. AS PER IS AWARE, THE DEPUTY CHIEF OF THE ECONOMIC/COMMERCIAL
SECTION, FSO-3. LUDLOW FLOWER, WILL REPLACE ECONOMIC
COUNSELOR MOORHEAD KENNEDY WHEN THE LATTER DEPARTS ON
TRANSFER THIS SUMMER. WE WOULD PREFER TO KEEP FSO-6 DAVID
DLOUHY, WHO IS DOING AN EXCELLENT JOB HERE (REF B). RATHER
THAN REPLACE FLOWER IN HIS PRESENT POSITION AND LOSE
DLOUHY, WE WOULD PREFER TO MOVE DLOUHY INTO THE POSITION
BEING VACATED BY FLOWER. OUR NEEDS WOULD BE MET, PER WOULD
HAVE ONE LESS ASSIGNMENT/TRANSFER PROBLEM, AND
THE USG WOULD SAVE MONEY. WE WOULD APPRECIATE
CONFIRMATION THAT THIS PLANNING HAS THE CONCURRENCE
OF THE DEPARTMENT.

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3. WITH REGARD TO THE INCUMBENT OF POSITION
44-132, SUPPORT COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER FSS-7 WAYNE G.
ADAMS, PER SHOULD BE AWARE THAT ADAMS IS ONE-HALF
OF A WORKING COUPLE, BOTH OF WHOM HAVE RECENTLY
RETURNED FROM HOME LEAVE AND HAVE NOT PLANNED
DEPARTURE FROM SANTIAGO UNTIL NOVEMBER 1979. THEY WOULD
LIKE TO COMPLETE THEIR TOUR HERE. AS AN ALTERNATIVE

WE WOULD PROPOSE THE INCUMBENT OF POSITION 55-131,
COMMUNICATIONS AND RECORDS OFFICER FSR-6 WALTER J.
NIEDZIELAK, WHO WOULD BE WILLING TO CUT HIS TOUR
SHORT AND DEPART BY SEPTEMBER 30, 1978, IF REPEAT IF
A WASHINGTON ASSIGNMENT CAN BE ARRANGED FOR HIM. WE
HAVE TALKED WITH OC BY TELEPHONE AND HAVE BEEN GIVEN
TO UNDERSTAND THAT A WASHINGTON ASSIGNMENT FOR
NIEDZIELAK SHOULD PRESENT NO PARTICULAR PROBLEM.
NIEDZIELAK IS AN EXCELLENT C&R OFFICER AND, OF COURSE,
HOPES THAT HE WILL BE PLACED IN A MEANINGFUL AND
CHALLENGING JOB. ONCE AGAIN, WE WOULD APPRECIATE
CONFIRMATION OF THIS SUBSTITUTION.
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